The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to you today as a current satellite TV subscriber who would like to add my voice of opposition to the pending merger of EchoStar and DIRECTV. The combination of these two satellite providers will surely create a monopoly in the satellite business and create higher prices for the consumers. Please do not allow the merger of the only two satellite tv companies in the US. Having at least companies creates a healthy competitive market.

Sincerely,

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